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Honorable J.P. Stadtmueller U.S. District Judge U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN 517 East Wisconsin Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Re: Baldus, et al. v. Brennan, et al.

No. 11-CV-562

Voces de la Frontera, Inc., et al. v. Brennan, et al.

No. 11-CV-1011

Dear Judge Stadtmueller:

I am writing at the request of your clerk to state the position of our clients, the Republican House Members who are seeking to intervene as defendants in No. 11-CV-562 (*Baldus*), with respect to the motion, filed yesterday by the plaintiffs in No. 11-CV-1011 (*Voces*), for consolidation of the two cases. The complaint in *Voces* seeks relief only under the Voting Rights Act and only with respect to certain state legislative districts in Milwaukee County, as created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 43. No claim is made with respect to any of the Congressional districts created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 44. Because the Republican House Members seek to participate in *Baldus* only with respect to the challenges to Act 44 and have no interest in participating, even in *Baldus*, with respect to Act 43 issues, they do not oppose the motion of the *Voces* plaintiffs to consolidate the cases.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Counsel of Record (served by ECF)